ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

NEWS RELEASE



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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N. latitude, 131°18.90′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at 55°00.73′ N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde.

District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

District 10: will be open with the following restriction:

Frederick Sound: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Pinta Point.

District 11

Section 11-A: will be closed.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39′ N. latitude and north of the latitude of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N. latitude.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Tenakee Inlet: will be open west of a line from the easternmost tip of East Point to a point at 57°46.34′ N. latitude, 134°56.07′ W. longitude to South Passage Point and east of 135°27.58′ W. longitude (normal markers);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of Point Marsden at $58^{\circ}03.40'$ N. latitude and north of Point Hepburn at $57^{\circ}56.21'$ N. latitude.

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restriction:

<u>Lisianski Inlet</u>: will be closed between 57°55.06′ N. latitude and 57°53.86′ N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek) and closed south of 57°52.68′ N. latitude.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern

tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

<u>Klag Bay, Lake Anna, and Sisters Lake</u>: will be closed east of a line from 57°36.95′ N. latitude, 136°06.42′ W. longitude to 57°36.68′ N. latitude, 136°05.92′ W. longitude;

<u>Ford Arm</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from Trap Point to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°32.86′ N. latitude, 136°00.13′ W. longitude;

Slocum Arm: will be closed southeast of 57°31.58′ N. latitude.

Salisbury Sound: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point, south of 57°22.26′ N. latitude, and north of the latitude of Scraggy Point.

Section 13-C: will be open south of the latitude of Point Benham Light (57°28.99′ N. latitude) with the following restrictions:

<u>Saook Bay</u>: will be closed west of a line from the easternmost tip of Saook Point to the northernmost tip of Point Kennedy;

Rodman Bay: all waters will be closed;

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes.

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16, 2017:

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point;

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

King Salmon Landing Restrictions: For Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of THAs, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and sold. King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls, Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All king salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Tuesday**, **July 18**, **2017**.

Copies of the "2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S3517.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 28

Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 14, 2017 for the Mid-Week Opening

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Sockeye	Coho Pink		Chum	Total	Boats	
450	500	36,000	3 700	40.650	12	

Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	450	500	36,000	3,700	40,650	13
District 2	0	1,400	2,300	4,000	35,000	42,700	44
Amalga Harbor SHA	0	500	50	6,300	203,000	209,850	61
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	950	1,600	138,000	31,600	172,150	44
Tenakee Inlet	0	700	500	190,000	12,000	203,200	22
Total	0	4,000	4,950	374,300	285,300	668,550	184

	FISH PER BOAT					
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	35	38	2,769	285	3,127
District 2	0	32	52	91	795	970
Amalga Harbor SHA	0	8	1	103	3,328	3,440
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	22	36	3,136	718	3,913
Tenakee Inlet	0	32	23	8,636	545	9,236

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 45,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 6,700 king and 30,000 chum salmon. Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 700 king and 55,000 chum salmon. Insufficient harvest information: Section 13-A and Section 13-C.

District 10: confidential.

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